### THE ENGLISH MISSION.

General Robert C. Schenck, of Ohlo, Appointed Minister to the Court of St. James-A Sketch of the New Minister's Career.

President Grant has apparently solved the difficulty about the English mission at last. Ever since it was known that General Robert C. Schenck had been defeated for re-election to Congress in the Third Ohio district by Colenel Lewis D. Campbell, his name has been mentioned prominently in connection with the succession to Mr. Motley, and now it is announced from Washington that a Cincinnati despatch states that he has been tendered the position by the President and accepted it. It is further stated that the President will send General Schenck's name to the Senate in a few days, and that the new Minister will probably leave for his post in about three weeks.

Robert Cumming Schenck is the son of General William C. Schenck, one of the early settlers in the Miami Valley, who served with credit in the Northwestern army under General Harrison, and died at the capital of Ohio while serving as a member of the General Assembly. The new Minister was born in Franklin, Warren county, Ohio, on the 4th of October, 1809. He graduated at the Miami University, at Oxford, Ohio, in 1827, after which he remained at the university as a tutor of Latin and French until he received his master's degree in 1830. He then commenced the study of the law in Lebanon with the Hon. Thomas Corwin, removing afterwards to Dayton, where he commenced practice and has continued to reside ever since. His legal acquirements and natural ability soon gave him a high standing at the bar.

In 1838 he entered political life as a Whig candidate for the State Legislature, being defeated by a few votes only. In the Presidential campaign of 1840 he acquired a high reputation as a popular speaker, and in 1841 was finally elected to the Legislature, in which he was at once recognized as one of the leading spirits in the Whig ranks. At this early day he displayed a great deal of parliamentary tact, persuading all the Whig members to resign at the special session of 1843, to prevent the Democrate from making an unfair Congressional apportionment of the State by depriving the Legislature of a quorum.

After further service in the Legislature, Mr. Schenck was elected to Congress in 1843, by a large majority, in a district usually very close, and served during four consecutive terms. Declining a renomination in 1850, he was, in the following year, appointed Minister to Brazil by President Fillmore, his powers being subsequently enlarged so as to embrace both Uruguay and Paragusy. Among several important treaties negotiated by him was one declaring the navigation of the river La Plata and its tributaries "free to the merchant flags of all nations.'

In 1854 Mr. Schenck returned to the United States, and the next year was the Whig candidate for the seat in the United States Senate about to be vacated by Salmon P. Chase, but was defeated for this position by George E. Pugh, Democrat. For several years thereafter he did not take an active part in politics, devoting his time to the law and railroad management. The outbreak of the Rebellion, however, again brought him before the public. Immediately after the attack upon Fort Sumter, he tendered his services to President Lincoln, and was by the latter commissioned a Brigadier-General of Volunteers on May 17, 1861. His career in the army, however, was not a brilliant or prominent one. His first effort was to take possession of the Loudon and Hampshire Railroad as far as Vienna, Virginia, in June. Near the latter place the train on which he was riding with a small force was ambushed by the enemy, but he succeeded in withdrawing with small loss. At the first battle of Bull Run, July 21, 1861, he commanded a brigade, with which he effected an orderly retreat after the great disaster.

General Schenck next took part in the campaigns on the Kanawha and New rivers, in West Virginia, at the head of a brigade, and subsequently succeeded to the command at Cumberland, Maryland, on the death of General Lander. Next followed a march to the relief of General Milroy, on the south branch of the Potomac; after which he took part in the battle of Cross Keys, as commander of the 1st Corps of the Army of Virginia, in the absence of General Sigel. When General Fremont was relieved of his command, it devolved temporarily on General Schenck. He participated in the second battle of Bull Run as a division commander, and in the second day of the contest he was severely wounded in the arm, but refused to be carried from the field until his sword, which was hurled some distance from him, was found. His wound lacapacitated him from service for some six months, but on December 11, 1862, he was assigned to the difficult command of the 8th Army Corps and Middle Department, with headquarters at Baltimore. In this capacity he did efficient service by his stern dealings with the Rebel sympathizers of Maryland, and was credited by the Union leaders with saving the State from their plots.

On December 5, 1863, General Schenck resigned his commission in the army, to take his seat in Congress as Representative from the Third district of Ohio. He was at once appointed chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, acting in that responsible capacity until his promotion, in 1867, to the most important position in the House -that of chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, and responsible leader of the majority. In this position he has displayed a great deal of ability and zeal, especially in shaping the financial legislation of Congress, his views on the tariff question being of the soundest order. He has, however, not escaped the strenuous antagonism which naturally falls to the lot of one holding his position, and his motives have been frequently assailed by his opponents. But, altogether, he has wielded his great influence with tact and discretion, and his recent defeat for the next Congress will be a severe loss to the protection party in the House. Gifted with great energy of character, and not being without diplomatic experience, he will doubtless soon bring the English Government to a realization of the fact that we are not willing to be trifled with any longer. Less bluntness and more polish of manner would not come amiss in the post to which he is to be appointed; but, putting it altogether, he is about the best man for the English mission that has been named in connection with it since Mr. Motley's recall was determined upon. The Washington correspondent of the New

York Tribune telegraphs as follows concerning General Schenck's appointment:-

It now seems doubtful that General Schencz will be prepared to assume the duties of Minister to England, which position has been tendered to and accepted by him, before the close of the present Congress. Prominent gentlemen who are in a position to be best informed say that he will not leave his duties in the House until the important business of the Ways and Means Committee is and your disposed of, and that, in any event, he cannot ar-

range his private affairs so as to leave them without injury before two months. Since the fact became known through these despatches of Friday night, his appointment is spoken of here among Senators and members with the utmost favor, and all unite in pronouncing it the strongest yet made by the present administration.

#### MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

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AT DUPREZ & BENEDICT'S OPERA HOUSE Mr. Charles Heywood, the buriesque "prima donna," and Mr. G. Bees, the balladist, will commence an engagement. A programme embracing a number of interesting novelties is announced. A Grand Bazas in aid of the Baptist Home will be held at Horticultural Hall during the present week. The object of this fair is a most worthy one, and we commend it to the favorable notice of the charitable citizens of Philadelphia.

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BECKETT.-Suddenly, on the 11th Instant, ANNA MARY, wife of Ashiand Beckett, in the 20th year of her age.

of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 28 North Nineteenth street, on Wednesday, the 14th instant, at 1 o'clock. To proceed to Odd Fellows' Cemetery.

JAQUETT.—Suddenly, of disease of the heart, on December 11, 1870, Dr. F. S. JAQUETT.

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LAKE .- On the 5th instant, JACOB LAKE, in the for the sear of his age.

The relatives and friends, also the butchers and drovers, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 1426 North Fifth street, on Thursday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. To pro-

ceed to Laurei Hill Cemetary. STEVENSON.—On December the 19th, 1870, Mrs. Mary Stevenson, relict of the late William L. Stevenson, in the 80th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her son-in-law, William A. Brown, No. 2129 Spring Garden street, on Wednesday afternoon, the 14th instant, at 1½ o'clock. Services at the house, Interment at Wharton Street M. E. Church Ground.

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